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1. JANUARY 14 EDITION OF MADRID DAILY "YA" (CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC) PRINTED LONG EDITORIAL CONCERNING CIA, PART OF WHICH DISCUSSED LIKELIHOOD OF CIA ACTIVITY DIRECTED TOWARD SPAIN IN PREVIOUS YEARS. ARTICLE REFERRED TO RECENT N.Y. TIMES REPORTS THAT CIA HAD PROMOTED ANTI-SPANISH ACTIVITIES IN U.S. AMONG CUBAN EXILES TO FORCE SPAIN TO CHANGE ITS POLICY TOWARD CASTRO GOVT. ACTIVITIES PURPORTEDLY INCLUDED DEMONSTRATIONS BEFORE SPANISH COMMERCIAL OFFICES AND CONSULATES IN U.S. AUTHOR OF TIMES ARTICLE SAID TO HAVE SPECULATED AS TO WHETHER USE OF EXPLOSIVES IN SOME OF THESE DEMONSTRATIONS ATTRIBUTABLE TO CIA.

2. COMMENTARY THEN WEAVES CIA ACTIVITY INTO GENERAL FABRIC OF U.S.-SPANISH RELATIONS. "UNFORTUNATELY, IT BECOMES DIFFICULT TO SEPARATE CONCEPTS OF BEING ALLIED OR SUBSERVIENT WHEN THE OTHER PARTY TO RELATIONSHIP IS U.S. IT IS IN THIS SENSE THAT SPANISH HAVE THEIR MISGIVINGS, AND FOR THIS REASON TENSIONS ERUPT WHEN THE SUBJECT OF THE AGREEMENTS IS RAISED. BECAUSE OF THIS, PRAISE MUST BE

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ACCORDED WHERE IT IS DUE FOR THE ENORMOUS STEP PROVIDED

BY OUR DIPLOMACY ON SECURING A DECLARATION OF
PRINCIPLES AS SIGNED LAST JULY, IN WHICH IS TAKEN UP THE
THEME OF EQUALITY OF TREATMENT OF THE COUNTRIES OF THE
AREA. BUT IT WOULD BE MORE CONVENIENT AT SAME TIME TO
ENSURE THAT THIS TREATMENT CLEARLY MEANS BEFORE
ANYTHING ELSE NONINTERFERENCE IN OUR INTERIOR PROBLEMS,
LEAVING ONCE AND FOR ALL THE FUTURE OF SPAIN TO SPANIARDS
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